



THE WILLOW WEEKLY

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Wednesday, the 24th of July, 2024

Willowmavin Primary School resides on the lands of the Taungurung people.

We acknowledge their leaders past and present and pledge to respect the earth, the life and the waters of these lands.

CELEBRATING ...

Our Term 2 Award Recipients



Congratulations to our Term 2 Award recipients:

F/1

Academic Award:

Marlee Comer

Social Engagement:

Alissia King (absent)

2/3/4

Academic Award:

Hudson Buhagiar

Social Engagement:

Jack Hume

4/5/6

Academic Award:

Olivia Baldwin

Social Engagement:

Georgia Bradley



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RESILIENCE



SAFE

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Celebrations!

Monday's Small School Cluster Athletics day was once again a great success! The vast majority of Willow students engaged in the day, demonstrating the school values of Be Your Best and Resilience. Many students ended the day in far more colourful outfits than they started the day. And all students ended the day with a smile on their face.

The success of this day was the result of a great deal of planning and support. We thank Miss Amelia for the many hours she spent preparing the day, organising events and student groupings and providing staff and volunteers with information packs so their roles on the day were clear. We also thank our staff for their efforts to ensure the day was a success, whether this was through assisting in preparations or their roles on the day. And finally, to the many parent/guardian volunteers who assisted at Meadowglen, we thank you for your assistance as without it, the day just simply could not have taken place. So, in a nutshell, another success due to the work of a great team!



School Commencement and Pick Up

It is disappointing that we are once again having to remind parents of school start and finish times. As communicated previously, school starts at 8:50am and families are encouraged to have students at school from 8:35am onwards. Having 5 – 10 minutes in the yard with their friends, prior to commencing classes, can make the world of difference for many of our students in setting up for a successful start to the day. Students arriving after 8:50am, will not have the opportunity to play with their friends in the yard, which can lead to them wanting to talk with their friends when school has started and learning has commenced. In addition, students arriving in class after 8:50am miss the routines that teachers have set up in classrooms. Late arrivals disrupt other students and the teacher, interrupting the grade's start to the day. Students that do arrive after the 8:50am bell, are required to go to class via the office where they will need to collect a late pass, and so that they can be recorded as being late on Compass.

Recently there have been numerous students being picked up well beyond the school's dismissal time of 3pm, and even beyond 3:10pm when yard supervision concludes for the day. This is disrespectful of staff who are then required to perform additional supervision duty when other work should be a priority.

We completely understand that from time to time, mornings can be chaotic and unforeseen circumstances can pop up, making it very difficult to be on time. However, with good practices in place, including nighttime and morning routines, school drop off and pick up times should be able to be adhered to on a consistent basis. Where unforeseen circumstances do occur, we ask that families make contact with the school as a heads up – particularly where students are to be picked up late.

Please know, the school is here to assist you in any way it can. Please don't hesitate to reach out. And to those families who consistently get their children to school on time, and also arrive on time for afternoon pick up, thank you for your continued support.

Signing Off

Focus, discipline, hard work, goal setting and, of course, the thrill of finally achieving your goals. These are all lessons of life.

Mr. O'Callaghan



Student of the Week



Term: 2

Week: 10



F/1

Connor

2/3/4

Rayyan

4/5/6

Iliana



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The **MORE** that you
READ, the **more things**
you will **KNOW**.
The **MORE** that you
Learn, the **more places**
you'll **GO**.
Dr. Seuss

25 Sessions Plus

Marlee Comer
Alex Mason
Alice Cram
Xavier Beale
Maria Taengtang

125 Nights Plus

Julian Canham
Matilda Haines
Charlie Creed
Oliver Sheffield
Keira Ellis
Jai Bamford-Newey

50 Sessions Plus

Jack Alnes
Roman Taengtang
Louis Campbell

150 Nights Plus

Charlie McKenzie
Adam Vine
Leticia Vine
Riley McKenzie
Wyatt Blandthorn

75 Sessions Plus

Jack Hume
Ruby Ellis
Olivia Baldwin
Hudson Monaghan
Marlie Beale

175 Nights Plus

Hannah Pate

100 Nights Plus

Ellie Jenkins
Bodhi Sanderson
Iliana Taengtang
Harrison Sheffield

*Remember, read each
night for at least 10
minutes and don't
forget to have your
reading signed off!*





WILLOW WORKS

Listed below are current general maintenance and repair items at the school. If you are able to help with these items, please speak with the office or your child's classroom teacher. All materials required for these jobs will be paid for by the school. We are able to organise access to the school grounds after hours if this is more suitable for families.

Thank you!



| Item | Date |
|---|----------|
| Balustrade on x2 staircases to be replaced. | 03/08/23 |
| Lubricate playground equipment | 25/10/23 |
| Blind cord to be screwed back into place in Breakfast Club room | 25/10/23 |
| Sliding door in art room to be repaired so that it moves smoothly | 25/10/23 |
| Hole covered on side of admin building | 25/10/23 |
| Safety gate (on BER deck) lock to be removed | 25/10/23 |
| Open windows in art room and admin office | 09/11/23 |
| Remove wood pile and tall grass behind container | 07/12/23 |
| Re attach the paper towel holder to the boy's bathroom wall | 21/03/24 |
| Generator shed concrete slab to be cut back to allow door to open | 06/06/24 |
| Panel removed from generator shed and replaced with clear panel to allow light in | 06/06/24 |
| Carpet tiles replaced in F/1 classroom | 06/06/24 |
| Fencing around BER deck area to be repaired | 06/06/24 |
| Mulch pile in staff car park to be removed | 06/06/24 |



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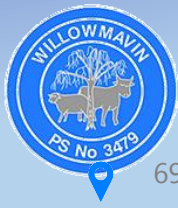
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What's On...

Dates To Remember



July

- 30th Welcome back Sharni!
Hot lunch orders due by 3:30pm
- 31st 100 Nights of Reading Morning Tea
School Council 6:30pm

August

- 2nd First hot lunch for Term 3
- 19th Book Week
- 22nd Transition Session 1 (2025 Foundation)
- 30th District Athletics



July

- 24th Rayyan Raad
- 25th Maria Taengtang

Other.....



A call out for tissue donations. We only have a few boxes left, and given we have only just passed the half way point of Winter, we're expecting these won't last much longer.

Also, a call out for cinnamon donuts to be donated to the school for our Hot Donut Tuesday fundraisers. Without these donuts, we'll be without our donut jokes!



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